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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 30, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application, Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group II, claims 18-51 and respectfully cancels unelected Group 1, claims 1-17 without prejudice. Applicant provisionally elects to pursue the species identified by the Examiner as Figure 12. Applicant respectfully submits that all of claims 18-51 read on the species identified as Figure 12.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-17.